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Addendum

91/__. Technical cooperation in the transformation of Eastern European economies

The Governing Council,

Recalling General Assembly resolution S-18/3 of 1 May 1990, the annex to which contains the Declaration on International Economic Cooperation, in particular the Revitalization of Economic Growth and Development of the Developing Countries, which states in paragraph 35 that "Eastern European countries should be supported in their efforts to integrate themselves into the international economy", and that this "will benefit their own people and the rest of the world; it must not detract from the high priority placed on international development cooperation with the developing countries",

Further recalling General Assembly resolution 45/199 of 21 December 1990, the annex to which contains the International Development Strategy for the Fourth United Nations Development Decade, which recognizes, in paragraph 8, that the reform and restructuring of the economies of Eastern Europe and their integration into the world economy can contribute to the strength and dynamism of world trade,

1. Takes note of the information 1/ provided by the United Nations Development Programme during the discussion of the programmes in Eastern

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1/ Including an informal conference room paper dated 12 June 1991 entitled "Technical cooperation in the transformation and recovery of European economies in transition: the role of UNDP" (available in English).

Europe at the thirty-eighth session of the Governing Council, concerning strategy, programme thrusts and special modalities relating to technical cooperation in the transformation and recovery of European economies in transition, as well as of the views expressed thereon in the Council;

2. Recognizes the fundamental problems faced by the Eastern European countries and the need for the integration of those countries into the world economy, as well as the contribution the United Nations Development Programme could make in this process;

3. Invites the Administrator to pursue activities consistent with the mandate of the United Nations Development Programme in support of the transformation and recovery of the Eastern European countries, in close consultation with all the parties concerned, particularly with the bilateral and multilateral institutions directly involved with development cooperation in those countries;

4. Urges the Administrator to ensure that the assistance provided to Eastern Europe will not come at the expense of the United Nations Development Programme resources going to developing countries;

5. Requests the Administrator, in conformity with the foregoing and to the extent possible, to submit to the Governing Council at its thirty-ninth session (1992) the respective country and intercountry programmes reflecting the present decision.